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RESTRICTION RESPONSE

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated June 20, 2008, Applicants elect, with traverse, Group I, Claims 1–4, for examination.

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